



## Veterans Home - Chippewa Falls

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Dear Family & Friends –

Please read below for information about the COVID-19 Vaccinations at the Veterans Home as well as reminders about giving Christmas gifts this week.

### **There are Benefits to Getting Vaccinated.**

As you know, COVID-19 can have serious, life-threatening complications. Getting vaccinated is the best way for your loved one to protect themselves and others, particularly older adults and those with underlying health conditions who are at increased risk for severe complications.

The COVID-19 vaccine is designed to kickstart the immune systems so your loved one can physically fight the virus when needed. Whereas preventative efforts, such as wearing masks, can help reduce some spread of this virus, these measures aren't enough. This vaccine will not only protect your loved one from getting sick—it will help in ending this global pandemic.

### **We're Excited About This Milestone!**

Three vaccination clinics will occur at the Veterans Home during a period of 2–3 months. Here's what we know:

- There is no cost to members for the vaccine. However, we will need their current insurance cards to be able to bill insurance.
- Your loved one can still safely get the vaccine if they've already had COVID-19.
- Strict procedures are in place to certify the vaccine's safety and effectiveness.
- The vaccine can't infect your loved one with COVID-19.

We expect vaccinations at the Veterans Home to begin around the middle of January 2021. As soon as we receive information for vaccination at the Veterans Home, we will let you know.

If you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine, please contact Katie Plendl at 715-720-6775 or visit the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/LTCF-residents.html>.

### **Christmas Gifts/Goodies:**

If you are going to drop off Christmas presents for your loved ones to be opened on Christmas day, please bring them in today or tomorrow. We continue to follow our safety protocol and have drop-off items in quarantine for three days before delivery to the members. As a reminder, no homemade foods can be accepted at this time for member safety, unless they can be reheated to the appropriate temperature.

Thank you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Megan M. Corcoran".

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